

## ARMY TEAM WINS LOCAL WAR LOAN DRIVE OVER "NAVY"

With 122 per cent of its quota, the WRA staff "Army" war bond team defeated the "Navy" team in the fourth War Loan drive, according to a final report issued March 1. The "Navy" led by Edmund B. Saklor reached 119 per cent of its quota. Walter J. Knodel was captain of the winners.

The staff as a whole invested \$16,916.30 in war bonds and stamps. Of this, cash sales accounted for \$6,314.30 and payroll allotments for \$10,602.

## FEBRUARY INDEFINITES HIT 215, THIRD HIGHEST RECORD

February issuance of 215 indefinite leaves, announced by Mario Vecchio, center relocation advisor, Thursday, is the first time the monthly figure hit the 200 mark since last May when 224 were issued. This is the third 200-month since the inception of local re-

location program, with 274 issuances for April, 1943, being the highest on record. Although requests for indefinite leaves tapered off a trifle towards the end of the month, the relocation division is still doing "brisk business," stated Vecchio.



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## 22 BLOCK MANAGERS RETURNED TO OFFICE

The following results were announced yesterday by W. Ray Johnson, acting project director, on the block meetings held within the last few days on the question as to whether or not the present block manager was adequately supported by his block constituents as determined by a vote of confidence.

(1) In 22 blocks, vote of confidence was given to the present block managers.

(2) Two block managers failed to receive a confidence vote.

(3) Three block managers resigned before a vote of confidence or had signified to the block residents that they were not interested in re-nomination, in which case a vote of confidence was not necessary.

### FARM PROBLEMS

### MOOTED AT 4-DAY

### GILA CONFERENCE

Two important developments resulted from the four-day conclave held at the Gila relocation center last week, according to John N. Spencer, chief of agriculture, who returned Tuesday with Ernest W. Tigges.

One gain for Amache at this confab attended by two delegates from each of the relocation centers was the grant of four tractors and other farm machineries for the local project farm. Second development was the clarification of the beef cattle situation. It was decided that four centers (Amache, Gila, Topaz and Manzanar) will endeavor to supply sufficient beef for other projects.

Many farm problems were discussed on relationship of the farm and mess division, transportation of farm workers, compensatory pay, and other numerous farm difficulties.

(4) One block, 7K, has not held its election as yet because the recent fire in the mess hall has deprived the block of a place of assembly.

(5) One election is being reviewed to determine the validity of the manner in which the election was held and votes recorded.

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## THIRD AMACHE GROUP BOUND FOR CRYSTAL CITY INTERNMENT CAMP

Third group of 11 Amacheans, consisting of four families, left Lamar for Crystal City, Texas, internment camp Thursday morning, at 6:30 o'clock, according to Sara A. Brown,

### CLOTHING CHECK VOUCHERS SENT

The clothing allowance vouchers for the period of October, November, and December have been sent to Denver office and the checks are arriving gradually, stated Jacob Gerrild, counselor, yesterday.

Checks for all blocks are expected about Mar. 15.

## THREE OFFICIALS HERE TO CHECK UP CENTER WELFARE

Mrs. Hugo Cedegren, a Swedish government representative, accompanied by Mrs. Evelyn Hersey of the Department of Justice's immigration and naturalization office, and Mrs. Woodsmall of the National YWCA, are scheduled to visit Amache this afternoon and tomorrow, stated W. Ray Johnson, acting project director, yesterday.

This trio of officials will make a check-up on the welfare of center residents.

Mrs. Cedegren is a niece of the present King of Sweden. Her husband is a Swedish government representative who played an important part in the exchange of prisoners and diplomatic representatives of the United States.

assistant counselor.

Those who comprised the group were: Mrs. Mizuko Nakano and children, Eniko, Mihoko, and Kazumi; Mrs. Kimano Nishijima and son, Tanji; Mrs. Chizu Sara; and Mrs. Riki Uno and children, Robert, Edison, and Kay.

They were accompanied by Bernadine Hays of the Department of Justice's immigration and naturalization office to Denver, where they were to be joined by transferees from Heart Mountain, Minidoka, and Topaz relocation centers. A total of about 70 evacuees are bound for Crystal City in this group.